

CLAIMS

Therefore, having thus described the invention, at least the following is claimed:

- 1 1. A headwear and clothing packaging system comprising:
 - 2 headwear having a bottom portion and a top portion, said headwear having
 - 3 an expanded state, a collapsed state, and a storage state;
 - 4 said expanded state of said headwear being defined by said bottom
 - 5 portion being open such that said headwear forms an open dome;
 - 6 said collapsed state of said headwear being defined by said bottom
 - 7 portion being closed by flattening said bottom portion onto itself such that said
 - 8 headwear forms a flat dome;
 - 9 said storage state being defined by said headwear being disposed in
 - 10 said collapsed state and deformed around an axis transverse to a width measured
 - 11 along said bottom portion of said hat;
 - 12 clothing being deformed in a cylinder shape; and
 - 13 a holding element;
 - 14 wherein said headwear is disposed in said storage state around said
 - 15 clothing and said holding element is disposed around said headwear.
- 1 2. The headwear and clothing packaging system of claim 1, wherein said
- 2 holding element comprises a strap.
- 1 3. The headwear and clothing packaging system of claim 1, wherein said
- 2 storage state is defined by said headwear being disposed in a collapsed state and
- 3 deformed around the axis into an arc.
- 1 4. The headwear and clothing packaging system of claim 1, wherein said
- 2 storage state is defined by said headwear disposed in a collapsed state and deformed
- 3 around the axis into a cylinder.

1 5. A headwear and clothing packaging system comprising:
2 headwear having a bottom portion and a top portion, said headwear having
3 an expanded state, a collapsed state, and a storage state;
4 said expanded state of said headwear being defined by said bottom
5 portion being open such that said headwear forms an open dome;
6 said collapsed state of said headwear being defined by said bottom
7 portion being closed by flattening said bottom portion onto itself such that said
8 headwear forms a flat dome;
9 said storage state being defined by said headwear being disposed in
10 said collapsed state and deformed around an axis parallel to a width measured
11 along said bottom portion of said hat;
12 clothing being deformed in a cylinder shape; and
13 a holding element;
14 wherein said headwear is disposed in said storage state around said
15 clothing and said holding element is disposed around said headwear.

1 6. The headwear and clothing packaging system of claim 5 wherein said
2 storage state is defined by said headwear being disposed in a collapsed state and
3 deformed around the axis into an arc.

1 7. The headwear and clothing packaging system of claim 5 wherein said
2 storage state is defined by said headwear being disposed in a collapsed state and
3 deformed around the axis into a cylinder.

1 8. A method of packaging headwear and clothing comprising the steps of:
2 providing headwear having a bottom portion and a top portion, said
3 headwear having an expanded state, a collapsed state, and a storage state;
4 said expanded state of said headwear being defined by said bottom
5 portion being open such that said headwear forms an open dome;
6 said collapsed state of said headwear being defined by said bottom
7 portion being closed by flattening said bottom portion onto itself such that said
8 headwear forms a flat dome;
9 said storage state being defined by said headwear being disposed in
10 said collapsed state and deformed around an axis transverse to a width measured
11 along said bottom portion of said hat.
12 providing clothing;
13 providing a holding element;
14 deforming said headwear into said storage state;
15 disposing said clothing into a cylinder shape;
16 disposing said headwear around said clothing; and
17 fixing said headwear around said clothing with said holding element.

1 9. The method of claim 8, wherein said step of providing a holding element
2 comprises providing a strap.

1 10. The method of claim 8, wherein said step of deforming said headwear in to
2 said storage state comprises deforming said headwear into an arc shape.

1 11. The method of claim 8, wherein said step of deforming said headwear in to
2 said storage state comprises deforming said headwear into a cylinder shape.

1 12. A method of packaging headwear and clothing comprising the steps of:
2 providing headwear having a bottom portion and a top portion, said
3 headwear having an expanded state, a collapsed state, and a storage state;
4 said expanded state of said headwear being defined by said bottom
5 portion being open such that said headwear forms an open dome;
6 said collapsed state of said headwear being defined by said bottom
7 portion being closed by flattening said bottom portion onto itself such that said
8 headwear forms a flat dome;
9 said storage state being defined by said headwear being disposed in
10 said collapsed state and deformed around an axis parallel to a width measured
11 along said bottom portion of said hat.
12 providing clothing;
13 providing a holding element;
14 deforming said headwear into said storage state;
15 disposing said clothing into a cylinder shape;
16 disposing said headwear around said clothing; and
17 fixing said headwear around said clothing with said holding element.

1 13. The method of claim 12 wherein said step of deforming said headwear in to said
2 storage state comprises deforming said headwear into an arc shape.

1 14. The method of claim 12 wherein said step of deforming said headwear in to said
2 storage state comprises deforming said headwear into a cylinder shape.